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MINUTES

OF THE

TENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

KENANSVILLE

EASTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH THE COLORED BAPTIST CHURCH AT

Roseville, Sampson Co., N. C.

October 14th, 15th and 16th, 1880.

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Elder Thomas Parker,	Warsaw,	N. C.
" D. T. Best	Clinton,	"
" Henry Lee,	Magnolia,	"
" S. S. Williams,	Buenestia.	"
" S. M. Burney,	Supply.	"
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" P. Oliver,	Faison,	"
" C. Spicer,	Mt. Olive,	"
" Simon Wilson,	Warsaw,	"
" H. T. Smith,	Wilmington,	"
" Simon Larkin,	Wilmington,	"
" A. M. Conway,	Wilmington,	"
" S. L. Miney,	Faison,	"
" R. J Lamb,	Wilmington.	"
" W. C. Cowan,	Wilmington,	"
" J. H. Hall,	South Washingt'n,	
" C. Taylor,	Clinton,	"
" A. M. Manual,	Clinton,	"
" J. O. Hayes,	Warsaw,	"
" W. H. Boon,	Hallsville,	"
" William Spears,	Lillington,	"
" S. S. Smith,	Warsaw,	"
" W. R. Mainor,	Clinton,	"

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Owen McKeny,	Wilmington,	"
James Carroll,	Burgaw,	"
Peter Haws,	Wilmington,	"

PROCEEDINGS.

THURSDAY, October 14th 1880.

The Tenth Annual Session of the Kenansville Eastern Association met with the Baptist church at Roseville, Sampson county, N. C., according to adjournment, at 9 o'clock, A. M.

After the house being called to order by the Moderator, Elder D. T. Best, he read a portion of the third chapter of St. Matthew. Prayer by Elder W. H. Boon.

The Moderator announces the house ready for business.

Elder Thos. Parker having been appointed at the last session to preach the introductory sermon, he preached from Matthew iii: 10. Elder W. H. Boon, Alternate.

Recess for half hour.

At half-past one o'clock, the Association re-assembled, and the Moderator proceeded to read from 133 Psalm. Prayer by Elder A. M. Conway. The moderator then announced the house ready for business.

On motion of Elder A. M. Conway, churches and delegates were enrolled as follows:

Kenansville—Shade Conner, Amos McCullough, Mollie Carroll.
Shoulder's Branch—B. W. Williams, S. M. Burney, W. H. Dixon.
Roseville—Peter Fennell, Sam Wells, Gabriel Stringfield.
Six Run Chapel—S. S. Stevens. I. S. Bennett, R. B. Faison.
Hall's Chapel—H. Lee, Peter Johnson.
Read Hill—Byotte Roberson, Wiley Peterson.
Peterson's Tabernacle—Henry Newkirk, G. Bland, S. Herring.
Mt. Pleasant—Cesar Butler, Christopher Taylor. Matthew Butler.
Bordeaux—R. J. Lamb, Amos Marshburn, L. W. Alderman.
Riley's Creek—Simon Larkin, A. D. Devan.
Snow Hill—Isham Butler, Harry Matthis.
Johnson Grade Chapel—A. C. Moore, H. Barden, Nicholas Moore.
Bird Chapel—Nicholas Hall, Wright Williams.
Brown's Chapel—Patrick Pugh, William Hargrave.
Magnolia—Lewis Carlton, G. Farrier, J. O. Hayes.
Little Field—Wiley Wilson.
Peterson's Chapel—Hiram Peterson.
Piney Grove—J. S. Highsmith, Edmond Boykin, Simon Ezzell.
Mt. Zion—M. J. Sell, George Murray.
Love Grove—Alvin Love.
Wilmington—A. M. Conway, S. J. Jenkins.
Hill's Chapel—Henry Oates, W. M. Cox.

Lillington Hall—Darry Graham.
Pilgrim's Rest—Green Herring, Gabe Carr.
Clinton—G. B. Bizzel, Milton Holmes.
Ireland Creek Chapel—Mingo Foyer, E. Zachariah.
Elizabeth Chapel—Hardy R. Monroe, M. A. Hannal.
Bear Swamp—Elder T. Parker, J. W. Hill, Allen Glaspie.
Beaver Dam—Solomon Jacob, Isaac McComb, H. Brewington.
Manhallow—A Ring, J. Salsbury, H. C. Ewdings.
Wilson's Chapel—James G. Carlton, Julius Caswell.
Smith's Chapel—Hill Smith, W. H. Boon.
Enoch Chapel—Not represented.

On motion of Elder H. Lee, the following persons were appointed on finance: W. M. Cox, Elder W. C. Cowan, Isaac McComb, A. C. Moore, Elder H. Lee.

On motion of A. M. Conway, the house went into election of officers for the ensuing year. The following was the result: President, Elder Thomas Parker; Clerk, I. S. Bennett; Treasurer, G. B. Bizzell.

On motion of Bro. S S. Stevens, the following committee on religious exercises: Bro. Peter Fannel, Elder W. H. Boon, Bro. W. H. Barden.

On motion of Rev. A. M. Conway, Bro. Amos McCullough was allowed $2.50 for his day s services.

The committee on Religious Exercises asked to make the following report:

Preaching at 7 o'clock by Elder D. T. Best; S. M. Burney, alternate.

The Association then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock. Prayer by Elder Simon Wilson.

FRIDAY MORNING, Oct. 15th, 1880.

Association met at the appointed hour. Singing on page 724, "More our guilt confess." Read the 26th Psalm. Prayer by Elder R. J. Lamb.

The Moderator then announced the house ready for business.

On motion of Bro. A. McCullough, the roll was called.

On motion of Elder H. Lee, the minutes of yesterday's afternoon session were read and adopted.

On motion of Elder A. M. Conway, that we send delegates to the Baptist State Convention this year.

On motion of A. McCullough, the third Article of the Constitution was taken up, and on motion of the same, the President was sustained in the chair.

On motion of A. R. Middleton, no brother was allowed more than five minutes on this matter.

The regular order of business was suspended to have the following report of committee on Religious Exercise:

Preaching at 11 o'clock by Elder A. H. Conway; Elder H. Lee, Alternate.

Preaching at 2 o'clock, P. M., by Elder W. C. Cowan; Rev. W. H. Savage, Alternate.

On motion of Elder A. M. Conway, every other minister belonging to or preaching to a church in this Association, be sustained the same as the President.

On motion of Elder W. C. Cowan a committee of five was appointed to revise the Constitution.

On motion of A. R. Middleton, they went into nomination for delegates to the Baptist State Convention. The following was the result: Elder Thomas Parker, Elder D. T. Best.

Elder H. Lee called for report of standing committee, and in the absence of their chairman, they asked until to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

On motion of Elder A. R. Middleton, the following were re-appointed as Executive Committee: Milton Holmes, Peter Fennell, S. S. Stevens, Elder Simon Larkin, P. Whitly, Elder W. C. Cowan and A. C. Moore.

On motion of Elder W. C. Cowan, adjourned for dinner. Sang short meter Doxology. Benediction by the Moderator.

Afternoon Session.

The Association re-assembled at 2 o'clock, and sang hymn on page 619, "How happy is every child of grace," &c.

The Moderator then read a portion of the 10th chapter of Numbers. Prayer by Bro. Lewis Carrolton. The house was then announced ready for business,

On motion of A. R. Middleton, the minutes of the forenoon session were read, corrected and adopted.

Bro. Nicholas Hall asked to be admitted to represent his church, with $1.50, known as Bird's Chapel, which was received,

On motion of A. R. Middleton, the following committee was appointed on grievances: Elders D. T. Best, S. H. Burney, H. Lee.

On motion of Elder D. T. Best, the following committee was appointed on Ministerial Character: Elders W. M. Spears, M. A. Manuel, Simon Larkin and S. M. Burney.

A. R. Middleton called for report of the Treasurer. He asked until to-morrow, which was granted.

The following is the committee on Constitution: Elder R. J. Lamb, Nicholas Moore, S. S. Stevens, Shade Conner, Amos McCullough.

A resolution was read by Elder J. O. Hayes, and the following committee was appointed on the same: Elder Simon Wilson, W. M. Hargraves and Allen Gillespie.

On motion of Wiley Peterson, the Eastern Association will not delegate to the Middle District Association.

The regular order of business was suspended to hear the report of the committee on Religious Exercises, which reported as follows:

Preaching to-night at 7 o'clock by Elder D. T. Best; Alternate, Eld. J. O. Hayes.
Sunrise prayer meeting by Byotte Roberson. and S. S. Stevens.

W. M. Cox asked to hear the report of the committee on Constitution, which was read as follows:

Amend the third Article of the Constitution by striking out the word "of" and inserting the word "ministers."
And it shall read as follows:
Art. 3. "This Association shall be composed of ministers and delegates chosen by the churches connected with it, each church entitled to three delegates, who shall be members of that church. And that any minister who is a member of any church connected with this Association, shall be recognized as a delegate.

ROGER LAMB,
NICHOLAS MOORE,
SHADE CONNER,
S. S. STEVENS,
A. McCULLOUGH,
Committee.

On motion of Henry Oates, adjourned to meet Saturday morning at 9 o'clock. Sang long meter Doxology. Benediction by the Moderator.

Friday night services by Elder D. T. Best. Preached from the 25th chapter of St. Matthew, 19th verse.

SATURDAY MORNING, Oct. 16th, 1880.

The Association met according to adjournment at 9 o'clock. Sang hymn on page 642. The Moderator read 68th Psalm. Prayer by Elder M. A. Manuel.

On motion of W. H. Barden, the roll of delegates was called.

On motion of J. W. Hill, the proceedings of yesterday afternoon were read and adopted.

Elder Simon Larkin moved that 25 credentials be ordered printed for ordained ministers.

On motion of Peter Johnson, each church member was taxed one cent for missionary purposes.

On motion of Amos McCullough, petitionary letters were taken up as follows: one from Kenansville and one from Six Run Chapel.

Proceeded to vote for the next place of the sitting of this Association. It was agreed that Kenansville is the place,

A. McCullough, moved that there be an auditing committee appointed as follows: M. A. Manuel, Elder J. O. Hayes, W. H. Barden.

On motion of Isaac McLamb, that hereafter the mover of any motions the name shall not be printed. Motion lost.

The committee on Religious Exercises asked leave to make the following report:

Preaching at the stand at 11 o'clock by Elder H. Lee; A. D. Carr, Alternate.

At 2 o'clock by Elder Simon Wilson; Elder S. M. Burney, Alternate.

Resolution by Bro. A. J. Walker:

WHEREAS, The delegates, ministers and visitors have been so kindly treated since we have been here.

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be tendered the members and citizens for their hospitalities since we have been here.

Resolution by Elder R. J. Lamb:

That at every Association and ministers and Deacons' meeting, the Lord's Supper shall be taken.

The committee on Sabbath Schools made their report as follows:

We, the committee on Sabbath School work, ask leave to make the following report:

We think it wise to appoint a Sabbath School messenger from each school to convene with said Association in each of her sessions, and said messenger shall not have power there only in Sabbath School work, which work shall be separated from the church work, in order that the Sabbath School work shall not be looked over.

Respectfully submitted,

W. M. HARGRAVES,
SIMON WILSON,
ALLEN GILLESPIE,
Committee.

Resolution offered by Amos McCullough:

Resolved, That each Baptist church that has or may have a Sabbath School Institute, shall elect its teachers and superintendents, whose duty it shall be to superintend said school and see that there is a letter stating and giving the general statistics of the school, and that each school shall be represented in each annual session of this Association.

The morning session at the stand: Read the 20th chapter of Revelations. Text 2d chapter of Acts of the Apostles, and 14th verse. Collection 94 cents.

On motion of A. McCullough, we pay to Elder Thomas Parker and Elder D. T. Best $20.

A. R. Middleton moved to take up all financial matters.

A. R. Middteton moved to send $15 to the State Convention, but it was reduced to $10.

On motion of S. S. Stevens, I. S. Bennett was allowed $15 for his services here and to prepare minutes for the press.

On motion of Peter Johnson, adjourned half an hour for dinner. Benediction by the Moderator.

Afternoon Session.

The Association assembled. Sung on page 380, "Behold the Lamb of God," &c. Elder J. O. Hayes read 1st Psalm. Prayer by Rev. W. R. Maynor.

The Moderator announced the house ready for business.

On motion of J. W. Hill, Mr. George Newton was welcomed to a seat.

On motion of G. Stringfield, all visiting brethren were made welcome to seats.

On motion of Elder R. J. Lamb, the sum of $4 was donated to Elder J. O. Hayes.

On motion of A. R. Middleton, Henry Grigay, Lewis Peterson and Winslow Peterson were ordained for Peterson Chapel.

On motion of Elder W. M. Spears, the ministers were enrolled.

The committee on Grievances asked to make the following report:

We find New C. Bethel Church not in good standing, and recommend that the letters and money be returned back to said church. We also examined the case of Bro. David Howard, and recommend him to good standing in his church.

The committee on Finance ask to make the following report:

We have received the following from the churches:

South Washington,	$2 00	Birds Chapel,	1 50
Magnolia,	2 00	Lillington Hall,	2 00
New C. Bethel,	1 00	Piney Grove,	2 00
Kenansville,	3 00	Hill's Chapel, Duplin co.,	2 00
Wilmington,	2 00	Riley's Creek,	2 00
Wilson Chapel,	2 00	Mt. Zion,	2 00
Enoch Chapel,	2 00	Hill's Chapel, Pender co.,	2 00
Johnson Grade,	2 00	Bever Dam,	2 00
Six Run Chapel,	3 00	Smith Chapel,	2 00
Shiloh Chapel,	1 00	Bear Swamp,	3 00
Mt. Pleasant,	2 00	Elizabeth Chapel,	2 00
Snow Hill,	2 00	Hall's Chapel,	2 00
Roseville,	2 00	Peterson Chapel,	2 00
Manhollow,	2 00	Island Creek,	1 00
Little Field,	2 00	Pilgrim Rest,	1 00
Bourdeaux Chapel,	2 00	Read Hill,	2 00

Respectfully yours,

W. M. COX,
ISAAC McLAMB,
H. LEE,
A. C. MOORE.
W. C. COWAN,
Committee.

On motion of Nicholas Moore, the following report was made:

Preaching to-night at 7 o'clock by Elder H. Lee; Elder J. O. Hayes, Alternate.

Sunday at 11 o'clock by Elder Thomas Parker; Elder W. C. Cowan, Alternate.

Sunrise prayer meeting on Sunday morning by brothers Nicholas Moore and W. H. Barden.

A collection amounting to $4.69 were given to Elder J. O. Hayes.

On motion of Elder D. T. Best, the collections taken up on Saturday night and Sunday was paid to Elder J. O. Hayes.

On motion of Nicholas Moore, 1200 hundred copies of the minutes were ordered printed.

On motion of Elder D. T. Best, Elder Parker's 4 churches were allowed 15 copies more minutes than the other churches.

The following sums were promised at the next Association: Elder D. T. Best $1, Elder J. O. Hayes $1, A. R. Middleton $1, Elder Parker $1, R. J. Lamb $1, Henry Oats $1.

On motion of A. J. Walker, the following committee were appointed to wait on New C. Bethel church: A. J. Walker, Elder Thos. Parker, Elder D. T. Best, Nicholas Moore, Eld. W. M. Spear, and Shade Conner then promised to pay $1.00, G. Stringfield $1.00.

On motion of S. S. Smith, Elder Simon Wilson was allowed $5 from the treasury for missionary work.

There were no letters from the following churches: Friendship, Peterson Chapel, Chinquepin, Washington, Hallsville, Hall's Chapel, Union Grove, Love Grove, Keathan Chapel.

The following are Sunday School funds sent: Bear Swamp Sunday School sent $1. The school is in a prosperous condition and numbers 152. First teacher, Miss Abby Smith; 2d teacher, Winniford Smith; 3d teacher, H. J. Gillespie; Bible class teacher, J. H. Davis. Number that can read Bible, 36. 50 cents for missionary. Superintendent, Edward Dixon; Secretary, Allen Gillespie.

Cross Roads Sunday School sent 50 cents to the Association. J. W. Hill, Superintendent; E. D. Williams, clerk.

Kenansville, Hill's Chapel and Six Runs sent each $1.00 for Sunday School purposes.

On motion of G. Farrior, adjourned to meet at Kenansville, N. C., Thursday before the third Lord's Day in October, 1881.

ELDER THOS. PARKER,
President.

I. S. BENNETT, Clerk.
A. R. MIDDLETON, Ass't Clerk.

SATURDAY NIGHT.

Services were introduced at 8 o'clock by Rev. J. O. Hayes, singing 730th hymn, "Oh, for a closer walk with God." Read the 2d chapter of Matthew. Prayer by Rev. S. S. Smith. After singing, Rev. H. Lee opened the sermon from the 3d verse of the 2d chapter of Matthew, "When Herod, the King, had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him." The sermon was compact, pointed and well handled. Rev. D. T. Best next followed with a brief exhortation in the interest of African missions, in which Bro. Hayes is expecting to spend the remainder of his life. The people's hearts being stirred up, they came forward and contributed $3.00 for African Missions.

Sunday morning a Presbytery was organized. Rev. Wm. Spear acted as Moderator, Rev. J. O. Hayes, Secretary. After a reasonable examination, Bro. Wm. Mainor was set apart to the work of the ministry by prayer and laying on of hands. Bro. Louis Peterson and Bro. ———, as Deacons of the church. Rev. Thomas Parker lined the 1198th hymn,

Rev. Henry Lee read the 5th chapter of John. Rev. S. S. Smith offered prayer. Rev. Henry Lee then for the space of 15 or 20 minutes spoke from the 31st verse of 5th chapter of John. The line was well traced, and a lasting impression was made.

After the sermon, the Presbytery proceeded to ordain Bro. Mainor. Ordination prayer by Rev. Wm. Spear. Charge to candidate by Rev. Thomas Parker. Presentation of the Bible by the Presbytery. Ordination prayer for Deacon by Rev. R. Lamb. Hand of fellowship by the Presbytery.

APPOINTMENTS FOR THE NEXT ANNUAL SESSION.

To preach Introductory Sermon—Elder D. T. Best; Elder M. A. Manuel, Alternate.

Missionary Sermon—Elder Henry Lee; Elder W. H. Boon, Alternate.

Temperance—Elder Thomas Parker; Elder C. C. Taylor, Alternate.

Baptism—Elder A. M. Conway, Elder W. C. Cowan, Alternate.

Annual Address—Elder S. M. Burney; Elder William Spear, Alternate.

CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION.

This certifies that our Brother ..... was publicly ordained and set apart to the work of the Gospel Ministry with prayer and the laying on of hands by the ministers according to the usages of Baptist Churches, on ..... 18...; that he was called to ordination by the ..... church, of which he was a member, and which, after full and sufficient opportunity to judge of his gifts, were agreed in the opinion that he was called of God to the ministry; that ..... church was represented in the council by ....., ministers, and ..... laymen, and that after a full, fair and deliberate examination, being satisfied on all points, the council did unanimously recommend his ordination: that our Brother ..... did accordingly receive the full, entire and hearty approbation of the council in his officially entering upon the work of the ministry, administering the ordinance of gospel and performing all those duties, and enjoying all those privileges to which a minister of Christ is called, and may the blessing of the Great Head of the church attend him, crown his labors with abundant success, and make him an honored instrument of good to Zion and the world.

..... Moderator.

..... Clerk.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Regular Meetings.	Prayer Meetings.	Add'ti'ns. By Baptism.	Add'ti'ns. By letter.	Add'ti'ns. Restored.	Dim'nut'n By letter.	Dim'nut'n Excluded.	Dim'nut'n By death.	Males.	Females.	Total.
1 Kenansville,.....	1	.....	18	1	10	3	25	4	185	28	425
2 Mt. Zion,.....	1	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	14	11	27
3 Bird's Chapel,.....	1	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	2	1	9	12	21
4 Snow Hill, ...	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	24	45	69
5 Johnson Grade,.....	3	.....	3	1	2	3	2	1	36	48	84
6 Wilmington, ...	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
7 Little Field,.....	4	.....	4	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	23	29
8 Enoch Chapel,.....	3	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	9	.....	20	31	51
9 Magnolia, ...	.....	.....	4	3	.....	.....	2	1	32	89	121
10 Roseville,.....	2	.....	5	.....	1	1	1	.....	60	82	142
11 Piney Grove, ...	.....	.....	19	3	9	.....	.....	.....	59	81	140
12 Smith Chapel,.....	.....	.....	4	.....	1	.....	1	.....	19	33	52
13 Wilson's Chapel,.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	43	82	125
14 Beaver Dam, ...	2	.....	4	1	5	3	2	.....	27	30	47
15 Mt Pleasant,.....	.....	.....	15	1	6	.....	.....	.....	24	32	57
16 Lillington Hall,.....	.....	.....	1	1	2	.....	.....	.....	6	10	16
17 Riley's Creek,.....	2	...	2	.....	35	7	35	.....	33	44	67
18 Manhollow,.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	15	32	47
19 Clinton,.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	1	17	34	61
20 Red Hill,.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
21 Brown's Chapel,.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	1	2	5	50	78	128
22 Shoulder's Branch,.	1	.. ..	6	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	31	40	71
23 Pilgrim Rest,.....	3	....	13	.....	2	2	.....	.....	45	75	120
24 Hill's Chapel,.....	3	.....	16	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	416
25 Six Run, ...	4	.....	36	.....	12	2	14	7	150	25	400
26 Island Creek,.....	2	.....	3	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	5	10	14
27 Hill's Chapel, ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	14	4	34
28 South Washington,	4	.....	4	.....	.....	1	.....	2	17	27	55
29 Bordeaux Chapel,...	.....	.....	10	.....	1	.....	7	.....	30	70	100
30 Elizabeth Chapel,...	.....	.....	4	.....	1	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	65
31 Shiloh Chapel,.....	2	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	4	5	15	20
31 Bear Swamp,.....	2	.....	28	.....	3	10	1	12	112	22	303
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	Churches.	Counties.	Pastors and P. O.	Clerks and P. O.
1	Kenansville,	Duplin,	Thos. Parker, Warsaw,	A. R. Middleton, Kenansville.
2	Bear Swamp,	Duplin,	Thos. Parker, Warsaw,	J. H. Davis, Warsaw.
3	Hill's Chapel,	Duplin,	Thos. Parker, Warsaw,	H. C. Wright, Faison.
4	Six Run Chapel,	Sampson,	Thos. Parker, Warsaw,	A. J. McKinzy, Clinton.
5	Clinton,	Sampson,	D. T. Best, Clinton,	A. Hubb, Clinton.
6	Friendship,			
7	Magnolia,	Duplin,	H. Lee,	A. J. Carlton, Lillington.
8	Riley's Creek,	Pender,	R. J. Lamb, Wilmington,	John Williams.
9	Peterson's Chapel,			
10	Washington,			
11	Red Hill,	Sampson,	G. W. Faison, Clinton,	Boyette Roberson, Clinton.
12	Hallsville,			
13	Hall's Chapel,			
14	Snow Hill,	Sampson,	D. T. Best, Clinton,	Peter Brewer, Clinton.
15	Elizabeth Chapel,	Sampson,	M. A. Manuel, Clinton,	L. J. Stewart, Holly's Store.
16	Piney Grove,	Sampson,	S. Wilson, Warsaw,	J. S. Highsmith.
17	Union Grove,			
18	Love Grove.			
19	Keathern Chapel,			
20	Smith's Chapel,	Duplin,	W. H. Boon, Hallsville,	R. J. Quinn, Harrell's Store.
21	Roseville,	Sampson,		E. W. Boykin.
22	Hill's Chapel	Pender,	W. Spear,	C. C. Spear.
23	Brown's Chapel,	Sampson,	D. T. Best, Clinton,	G. Sampson, Clinton.
24	Wilson's Chapel,	Sampson,	S. Wilson, Warsaw,	J. M. Joiner, Warsaw.
25	Shiloh Chapel,	New Hanover,		
26	Mt. Zion	Pender,	J. Carroll, Bennerman's,	Henry Dally, Bennerman's.
27	Mt. Pleasant,	Sampson,	C. C. Taylor, Clinton,	Cæsar Butler, Clinton.
28	Shoulder's Branch,	New Hanover,	S. M. Burney, Supply,	W. W. Dixon, Wilmington.

CHURCHES, COUNTIES, &c.---Continued.

CHURCHES.	COUNTIES.	PASTORS AND P. O.	CLERKS AND P. O.
29 Bourdeaux Chapel,.....	.....	.....	
30 Chinquepin, ...	.....	.....	
31 Manhollow,.....	New Hanover,.....	S. Larkins, Wilmington, ...	H. C. Eddins, Wilmington.
32 Enoch Chapel,.....	New Hanover,.....	J. H. Dorsey, Wilmington, ...	Nathan Baneson, Wilmington.
33 Peterson Tabernacle,.....	.....	.....	
34 Lillington Hall,.....	New Hanover,.....	.....	Wm. Marshburn, Rocky Point.
35 Pilgrim Rest.....	Sampson,.....	George Faison, Clinton,.....	George Crombie, Dieth.
36 Bordeaux Chapel.....	Pender, ...	R. J. Lamb, Wilmington,.....	S. W. Alderman, Point Caswell.
37 South Washington,.....	Pender, ...	A. H. Hall, South Washington,	S. Wheeler, South Washington.
38 Island Creek.....	Pender, ...	H. T. Smith, Wilmington,.....	Mingo Foy, Wilmington.
39 Beaver Dam,.....	Sampson,.....	Jesse Jacob, Clinton,.....	Enoch Manuel, Clinton.
40 Little Field, ...	Sampson,.....	S. Wilson, Six Runs,.....	Henry Hardin, Clinton.
41 Wilmington, ...	New Hanover,.....	A M Conway, Wilmington,...	Edwin Neil, Wilmington.
42 Johnson Grade,.....	Pender, ...	W. C. Cowan, Wilmington,....	M. C. West.
43 Bird Chapel,.....	Duplin, ...	S. S. Smith, Warsaw,.....	Jerry Williams.

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

EASTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be denominated and known as the "Kenansville Eastern Baptist Association."

ART. 2. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men, and the means of accomplishing this shall be in strict conformity to the New Testament.

ART. 3. This Association shall be composed of Delegates chosen by the Churches connected with it, each Church being entitled to three Delegates, who shall be members of that Church.

ART. 4. The delegates from each Church shall bear a letter, certifying their appointment, and communicating information relative to the state of the Church; *Provided, however*, That when any Church has prepared a letter, and through inadvertence the letter fails to be presented, her delegates may be received without its presentation.

ART. 5. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be annually chosen from among its members by ballot, by a majority of the members voting, and continue in office until their successors are elected.

ART. 6. It shall be the duty of the moderator to enforce an observance of the Constitution, preserve order, appoint committees, decide all questions of order, give his opinion on any question under discussion, after others have spoken, and give the casting vote in case of a tie.

ART. 7. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to record the proceedings of each annual session, and superintend their printing and distribution among the churches.

ART. 8. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all funds sent up by the Churches, or collected during the session of this body, and disburse the same as ordered by the Association. He shall also make to the Association an annual report of the condition of the treasury.

ART. 9. The Association shall appoint an Executive Committee, consisting of not less than five or more than seven members, which committee shall have the superintendence of Associational Missions and Colportage. They shall have power to disburse all sums paid by the Treasurer of the Association for the objects under their charge, and during the intervals between the meetings of this body, to receive and disburse funds for those objects, and to take such steps for their advancement as they shall deem advisable, and shall make an annual report to the Association of their doings.

ART. 10. The Association shall not maintain fellowship with any of her Churches which neglect to preserve Gospel order.

ART. 11. The Association may invite visiting and corresponding brethren to seats, and extend to them all the privileges of the body except that of voting.

ART. 12. The annual session of this Association shall commence on Thursday before the third Lord's day in October, at such place as may be chosen.

ART. 13. By appointment of the Association, there shall be an Introductory Sermon of a denominational character, and a Missionary Sermon.

ART. 14. This Constitution may be amended at any annual session by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

RULES OF ORDER.

I. On the meeting of the Association the Moderator of the preceding session shall preside until his successor is known. In case of his absence a chairman *pro tem.* shall be elected.

II. Each session of the Association shall be opened with religious exercises, to be conducted by whomsoever the presiding officer may name.

III. At each daily session, and previous to proceeding to business, the names of the delegates shall be called, and the proceedings of the previous daily session read.

IV. The members shall observe towards the officers and each other that courtesy which becomes Christians.

V. Any member wishing to speak shall rise and address the presiding officer. He shall confine himself strictly to the question under consideration, and avoid personalities.

VI. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question without permission.

VII. All motions seconded shall be definitely stated by the presiding officer before discussion.

VIII. No motion shall be withdrawn after its discussion.

IX. When a question is under discussion no motion or proposition shall be received, except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to amend or postpone indefinitely, which several motions shall have preference in the order in which they are stated.

X. After a motion is decided, any member having voted in the majority may move a reconsideration.

XI. No member shall absent himself during the session of the Association without permission of the presiding officer, and no one shall take final leave of absence without the permission of the Association, and if any shall do so, their absence shall be noted in the minutes.

XII. All questions, except such as relate to the Constitution, shall be decided by a majority of votes.

XIII. The Association shall have the right to decide what subjects shall be admitted to its consideration.

XIV. The Rules of Order may be altered or amended at any session of the Association by a majority of votes.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Reading Church Letters and enrolling Delegates.
2. Election of Officers.
3. Call for Petitionary Letters.
4. Appointment of Committees.
5. Appointment of Corresponding Delegates.
6. Reports of Standing Committees.
7. Reports of other Committees.
8. Reports of Trustees of Ministers' Relief Society.
9. Report of Treasurer.
10. Miscellaneous Business.
11. Incidental and routine motions shall be in order at any time.
12. Adjournment.

RULES OF DECORUM FOR CHURCHES.

1. We will hold at least four Conference meetings in the year for the transaction of business; also special meetings whenever requisite.

2. The names of the members shall be called at every regular meeting, and there shall be due notice taken of the absence of those who evince a disposition to absent themselves.

3. At every Conference, the pastor, in his right of office, shall preside as Moderator; and in case of his absence, the Conference shall appoint a Moderator *pro tem.*, who shall open Conference by devotional exercises.

4. The Clerk shall keep a church-book, in which all the proceedings of the Conference shall be faithfully transcribed, and at every regular meeting the minutes of the preceding meeting shall be read immediately after the names are called.

5. An invitation shall be given to brethren of our faith and order to sit with us in Conference, who shall enjoy all the privileges of the meeting except that of voting.

6. Every subject for the consideration of the Conference shall be introduced by a motion, which, when seconded, shall be debated and acted upon, unless withdrawn by the mover.

7. Every speaker shall rise and address the Moderator by the appellation of brother, and shall confine his remarks to the subject under debate, and shall not be allowed to speak more than twice on one subject unless by permission of the Church.

8. No member shall withdraw from the Conference without the permission of the Moderator.

9. It shall be required that in matters of difference between members, before complaint is made to the Church, the aggrieved party shall have duly attended to the instructions of our Lord, Matt. 18th chapter, 16th, 17th, and 18th verses, and public offences, or such as operate against the peace of the Church, shall be the subject of discipline.

10. All questions submitted to the Conference shall be decided by a majority of votes, except receiving members to fellowship; and any question may be reconsidered upon the motion of any who voted in the affirmative.

11. The Moderator shall propound all questions for vote—shall keep the speakers to the subject under debate—may express his views, after others are done speaking, and see that these rules are faithfully observed.

12. These Rules of Decorum may be altered or amended by a vote of two-thirds of the whole Church.

Resolved, That this Association recommend the adoption of the foregoing rules to all the Churches that comprise this body.

COVENANT.

For as much as Almighty God, by His grace, has been pleased to call us, as we hope, (whose names are underneath subscribed,) out of darkness unto His marvelous light; and all of us have been regularly baptized on a profession of our faith in Christ Jesus, and have given up ourselves to the Lord, and to one another in a Gospel Church relation, to be governed and guided by a proper discipline, according to God's word. We do, therefore, in the name of our Lord Jesus, and by his assistance, covenant and agree to keep the discipline of the Church which we are members of in the most brotherly affection towards one another, and endeavor punctually to observe the following rules: 1st. In brotherly love to pray for each other, to watch over one another, and if meet be, in the most tender and affectionate manner, to reprove one another, that is, if we discover anything amiss in a brother to go and tell him his faults, according to the direction given in 18th chapter of the Gospel by Matthew, and not be whispering and back-biting. 2d. We also agree, with God's assistance, to pray in our families, attend our Church meeting, and not to absent ourselves from the communion of the Lord's Supper without a lawful excuse. To be ready to contribute to the defraying the Church's expenses, and support of the Missionary, and not irregularly depart from the fellowship of the Church, nor to remove to distant Churches without a regular dismission.

These things we do covenant and agree to observe, and keep sacred in the name of and by the assistance of the Holy Trinity. Amen.

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